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Photo by Bill Bokholt

## For a good cause

LCpl. Joseph Sher (right) watches KDUC deejay Mike Garcia (left) interview Wal-Mart shoppers during the KDUC 94.3, KDUQ 105.7 and KXXZ 95.9 Toys for Tots live broadcast Saturday. The radio stations appealed to listeners to fill HMMWVs with toys. Sher, LCpl. Thomas Walsh (top of HMMWV) and Sgt. Simei Rosario (not pictured) supported the radio stations effort with two Fleet Support Center Barstow HMMWVs.

## Toys for Tots telethon airs Saturday

By Bill Bokholt  
Public Affairs Officer

MCLB Barstow and Defense Distribution Depot Barstow Toys for Tots donations to date will be presented during the local telethon airing live on Time Warner Cable Channel 6 and Elephant Mountain channel 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

LtCol. Donald W. Zautcke, MCLB Executive Officer, MCLB Fire Chief, Bob Wyman, GySgt. Pete Errigo, Marine personnel coordinator and other representatives will make the base's presentation at approximately 11:30 a.m. during the live telecast from the Barstow Elk's lodge.

Immediately following, Betty Mitchell, Defense Distribution Depot Barstow's Transportation Officer and Leo Geballa, BAX Global gov-

ernment account manager will present DDBC's and BAX Global's combined contribution.

Individuals and groups can also take toys and other donations to the Elks Lodge at 1501 W. Main St., Barstow and request to present them on the air or just leave them.

A highlight of the telethon is an auction of donated items. The main item is a car from Soutar's in Barstow.

Connie Wessel, Barstow's Toys for Tots committee co-chairperson is hopeful people will continue to donate useful items like they have in the past.

"If anyone has an auction item they want to donate but don't have a way to get it to the Elks Lodge they can call 252-3093 and we'll arrange to have it picked up," she said.

The telethon isn't the end of MCLB's effort.

"The telethon isn't the end of our drive. Local organizers have to hold the telethon early in December in order to get all of the toys organized so needy families can submit their applications and the toys can be distributed by Christmas," said Bob Wyman, the base Toys for Tots Coordinator.

"We'll be accepting toys on the base until Dec. 17, then we'll turn them over to the Toys for Tots organizers," Wyman concluded.

Toy donation boxes are located on base at: Environmental-Warehouse 3, Headquarters Battalion Lobby, Bldg. 302; Base Headquarters, Bldg. 15; SATO/C&P/Legal/Finance, Bldg. 236; the Housing Office, Community Services Dept., Bldg. 129; DRMO Lobby, Bldgs. 226 & 553;

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## Hazing:

**It's wrong, there's no room for debate**

**Submitted by**  
Marine Corps News

A Marine Corps Order doesn't need to be long and detailed to impart specific guidance. Sometimes, a few words say it all. Consider MCO 1700.28 – two and a half pages, including title and distribution, and six paragraphs with an important message – Don't Do It!

The subject is hazing.

No, there hasn't been another widely publicized, brutal incident like the "blood winging" several years ago. But, according to the Inspector-General of the Marine Corps, there are some Marines who have applied their own definitions to what does and what doesn't constitute hazing. They've even taken the discussion to the pages of base and station newspapers.

"There is no debate," said Sgt. Maj. Kevin Bennett, the IG team's sergeant major, "about what is defined as hazing. Anything that attacks the dignity and respect of a fellow Marine is wrong. It doesn't have to cause bleeding from the head and shoulders."

Bennett was referring to what he describes as a troubling perception among Marines that "harmless" jokes, tricks, and welcome-aboard initiations don't qualify as hazing. "Sending someone running back and forth across the base looking for something that doesn't exist and being berated by a senior because the item can't be found is inappropriate," said Bennett. "It is embarrassing to the Marine, it is non-productive, and accomplishes nothing toward the mission. Such activity, in its simplest form, is hazing and contrary to Marine Corps Order 1700.28."

What really irks Bennett and fellow IG team members, is how openly some Marines will talk to complete strangers about some of their contrived initiation practices. "I can tell by talking to them that they can't possibly have read the order," he said, "or even worse, can't understand some very simple language."

Bennett tells of a recent IG team visit when he and a colonel assigned to the inspection team stopped by the exchange, in full uniform, and spoke with a young Marine in civilian clothes walking from the barber shop.

"We asked him where he worked, and when he told us, the colonel said, 'Oh, well then you probably make all the new guys go through ...' The Marine looked at us with a

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## The Commander's Forum

# Safety is important every day

**Q**I work at the Support Business Center in Repair Division. Recently, on a Sunday, there was an individual painting, without a respirator certification, and that is strictly prohibited from the base safety policy regulations that we have here. I was just wondering if this could be looked into and have this illegal practice of painting without being respirator certified stopped. Thank you very much, and I appreciate the avenue and opportunity to express my view.

**A**Thank you for calling the Commander's Forum regarding an employee not following safety regu-

lations. Upon investigating the alleged incident, it was noted that on the day in question only two other employees were working in the paint shop. The employee in question was assisting the other employees with masking, cleaning, etc. However, it could not be validated that he was painting any items during this overtime assignment. Your call did make us aware that because this person is assigned to work in the paint shop, he should be respirator certified in the event he needs to enter the paint booth or other areas emitting paint fumes. We are in the process of respirator certifying this person to ensure our personnel are provided the best possible protection for performing their work assignments.

# What can you be happy with

**Cmdr. Jerome Dillon**

Camp LeJeune Catholic coordinator

A man and his wife went to visit friends in another part of the country and were taken to a racecourse. Fascinated by the sight of horses chasing one another around a track, the two of them kept betting all evening till they had no more than two dollars left. The following day the man prevailed upon his wife to let him go to the course alone. There was a horse with fifty-to-one odds on it in the first race. He bet on the horse and it won. He put all the money on another long shot in the next race and again he won. He kept doing this all evening and his entire earnings came to fifty-seven thousand dollars.

On the way back home he passed by a gambling den. An inner voice, the same one that seemed to have guided him in his choice of horses, said, "Stop here and go in." So he stopped, went in, and found himself standing in front of a roulette wheel. The voice said, "Number thirteen." The man put the entire fifty-seven thousand on number thirteen. The wheel spun. The croupier announced, "Number fourteen."

So the man walked back home with nothing in his pocket. His wife called out to him from the porch, "How did it go?"

The husband shrugged his shoulders. "I lost the two dollars," he said.

The gospel relates the story of a rich young man confronting Jesus with the request of what must be done to inherit eternal life. Jesus lays out

simple criteria for the young man to follow. But not being satisfied with the answer he presses for more direction. Jesus obliges with further instruction. In the end the young man goes away saddened for he had great possessions. In reality it would appear that the great possessions had the young man.

It seems that we are programmed to believe that we cannot be happy without certain things in our lives – money, power, success, approval, good reputation, love, friendship. Once you accept the belief that you need these things in your life you make every effort to acquire this precious thing in your life. There is a thrill when you attain this object, an anxiety when there is a chance of losing it, and a feeling of misery when it is lost.

Once an attachment has you in its grip there is a tendency to arrange your life around it. There ensues a process of rearranging your world so that you can attain and maintain the objects of your attachment. Instead of a life of serenity and fulfillment you are doomed to a life of frustration, anxiety, worry, insecurity, suspense, and tension. Many of the negative feelings we have in our lives come from an askew sense of attachment. Each time you are anxious and afraid, is it because you may lose or fail to get an object of your attachment? Each time you feel jealous, is it because someone may make off with what you are attached to? Does your anger come from someone standing in the way of your attachment? Does

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### Chapel Hours

Protestant  
Catholic Mass

Sun. 8:30 a.m.  
Sun. 10:30 a.m.

### Confession services before Mass

### Yermo Bible Study

Wednesday 11 - 11:30 a.m.  
At the Colonel's Workshop

For more info call  
Don Brooks at 577-7165.



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Colonel Mark A. Costa, Commanding Officer

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## PMO cracks down on vehicle registration

**By Maj. L.D. Miller**

Provost Marshal

It has been brought to my attention that several personnel aboard MCLB Barstow have allowed their base registration to lapse on their vehicles, and some personnel have failed to register their vehicles altogether. For those of you who keep tabs on world events, you must know that security is still a valid concern, and we must insist that personnel continue to abide by Base Order P5500.13, which gives personnel three days upon checking aboard to register their vehicles. As in the order, we continue to require current insurance, state registration, driver's license, and military/government ID to register a vehicle.

I have further heard that one or more of my clerks at Vehicle Registration may have allowed personnel from other bases to keep their whole sticker from that other base. The decal portion, if serviceable, may continue in use here, but all personnel stationed or employed here must have the "MCLB Barstow" red, blue, or green sticker displayed on their windshield. I apologize for any inconvenience, but personnel who have the full sticker from their old base must report to Vehicle Registration to obtain the "MCLB Barstow" sticker.

Many of the decals observed recently are completely faded and are no longer serviceable. Again, I apologize for the inconvenience, but these faded decals must be replaced. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

## Gunny's Picks

Week 12



It was destiny I tell you! Al Morales from Set Assembly, Warehouse 402, picked 13 of 14 games this week, slipping only in picking Pittsburgh over Cincinnati.

"I can't believe it," exclaimed Morales. "Four years of playing the picks and I finally win."

Morales took a moment to compose himself before blasting. "Tell everybody there's a new sheriff in town. Cincinnati had no business there to begin with."

Morales' partner in crime, Harry Legendre, fell into last week's five-way massacre. The clean-up crew is still demanding overtime fees.

It's late in the season, in case you haven't been keeping track. Morales has come nearest to being named the 'Swami' of Gunny's Picks.

Bat 1.000 and you'll win a copy of the Barstow Log autographed by the Log staff.

Cleveland at San Diego\*

\*Green Bay at Chicago

\*Indianapolis at Miami

Kansas City at Denver\*

\*New Orleans at Atlanta

\*NY Jets at NY Giants

Philadelphia at Arizona\*

\*St. Louis at Carolina

\*San Francisco at Cincinnati

\*Seattle at Oakland

\*Tennessee at Baltimore

Washington at Detroit\*

\*Dallas at New England

### Monday night

\*Minnesota at Tampa Bay(38)

Total points: \_\_\_\_\_

Name, work section and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Monday night's game is a tie-breaker and must include a total score.

# News Briefs

## Road trip to see the San Diego Chargers

The Civilian Welfare and Recreation Association, along with Marine Corps Community Services, is sponsoring a trip to see the San Diego Chargers take on the Oakland Raiders Dec. 26.

\$30 covers the tickets and transportation. You must reserve your spot in advance.

There are only 32 tickets available, so get your reservation for the game in early.

For more info call Vince Chavez at 577-7630/7731.

## Toys for Tots Bowling Tourney

The Barstow Board of Realtors is sponsoring the Toys for Tots Annual Bowling Tournament starting 2 p.m. Saturday at Paradise Lanes on Main St.

Donations for Door Prizes appreciated.

Call Bob or Thelma Hoffman at 256-6843 for more information.

## Immaculate Conception Mass

The Catholic Mass for Immaculate Conception will be held at noon Wednesday at the Base Chapel.

The Ecumenical congregation is holding a candlelight service on Christmas Eve at 7 p.m.

## Federal Health Benefit Open Season underway

The Federal Employee Health Benefit Open Season began Nov. 8 and continues until Dec. 13.

During this time eligible employees who are not currently registered with a health plan may enroll in one. Eligible members already enrolled can switch from one plan to another.

All federal employees and retirees – including the U.S. Postal Service, Bu-

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reau of Land Management and the Department of Social Security Administration are considered eligible employees. If base employees wish to make changes to their FEHB, they must contact their administrative office for the current Standard Form (SF) 2809 and submit it to:

Director, HRSC-SW  
Attention: Code 516  
525 B Street, Suite 600  
San Diego, CA 92101-4418

## College open houses

Have you considered going back to school but thought work or family would make it impossible? Do you want to earn a degree but don't know where to start?

Representatives from Barstow College and Park College will be available to answer any questions you may have about continuing education, on Thursday, Dec. 9, from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the Personal Services Training Room, McKinney Complex, here.

Topics such as registration procedures, class schedules, programs and degrees offered, financial aid, distance learning opportunities and more will be addressed.

For more info contact Rich Johnston, Base Education Officer, at 577-6118.

## TRICARE rates increased

The daily amount active duty family members pay for inpatient care in civilian hospitals under TRICARE Standard and TRICARE Extra increased Oct. 1.

Patent care went from \$10.45 to \$10.85 per day or a flat fee of \$25 whichever total is greater. The \$25 rate also applies to ambulatory (same-day) surgery.

The rate increase doesn't apply to any other category of TRICARE-eligible patients. Inpatient care under TRICARE Prime for active duty fam-



ily members admitted to a civilian hospital remains at \$11 per day with a minimum \$25 co-payment.

Inpatient mental health care at civilian facilities costs \$20 per day for active duty under all TRICARE plans.

E-mail your TRICARE questions to [questions@tma.osd.mil](mailto:questions@tma.osd.mil) or call 1-800-242-6788 and ask for the Barstow Benefits Adviser.

## Christmas Alive'

The First Baptist Church of Barstow invites you to share in their annual Christmas Alive musical.

This year's musical is "I'll be home for Christmas", a musical about family and home in the Golden Days of radio.

The program is presented Dec. 9-12 at 7 p.m. A special sign language program will be on Dec. 10. There will be an extra program Dec. 11 at 1 p.m.

Call 252-2949 for more info.

## ASMC Scholarships

The American Society of Military Comptrollers is shoring up their scholarship fund with tote bags.

The zipper bag is black with two handles and has a Marine Corps emblem in gold.

For info on the tote bags or the scholarship program, contact Connie Lewellyn at 577-6596, Lou Ann Presley at 577-6636, Billie Reed at 577-7875 or Sophia Cisneros at 577-6140.

## Shopping Spree

The commissary is giving away two \$100 shopping sprees in December, courtesy of Frito Lay.

Authorized DeCA patrons are welcome to enter the drawing at the commissary. The winner will be announced the week before Christmas.

For more info contact Judy Mendez at 577-6403.



## Magistrates Court results October 1999

Theft – fined \$150  
Possessing a Controlled Substance – fined \$700

## November 1999

Possessing drug paraphernalia and bringing a firearm aboard a federal installation – fined \$650 and awarded 1 year probation.

# You drink, you drive, you lose: The sobering facts about zero tolerance

**Submitted by**  
Base Safety Office

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and law enforcement agencies across the country practice a "zero tolerance" policy toward underage drivers and alcohol.

To enforce this policy and better educate young adults about the dangers associated with impaired driving, NHTSA has instituted a public education initiative, "You Drink and Drive. You Lose," to coincide with Spring Break, prom and graduation celebrations.

What does zero tolerance mean?

The zero tolerance policy ensures underage drivers will face severe penalties if they are caught drinking and driving. If they possess a Blood Alco-

hol Concentration (BAC) level over .00 they will be found guilty of impaired driving.

While this policy differs from the state-mandated BAC levels applicable to adult drivers over the age of 21, it is necessary to curb the amount of alcohol-related incidents involving underage drivers.

Why is zero tolerance necessary? Research has shown that young impaired drivers are involved in fatal crashes at approximately twice the rate of adult drivers, aged 21 and over.

Since 35 percent of all fatal crashes for underage drivers involve alcohol, it is imperative young adults understand the laws established as a result of the zero tolerance policy are not meant to single out and punish young adults in particular, but rather to safeguard them

against unsafe driving behavior that threatens their well-being.

Why do different laws apply to young drivers than adults?

Zero tolerance laws provide for different policies regarding drivers under the age of 21 because of their increased crash level at low BAC levels.

Studies show that more 18 and 19 year-olds die in low BAC alcohol-related crash than any other group.

By encouraging safer driving habits at a young age, NHTSA hopes to promote healthier driving behavior for the future young adults who are an extremely active segment of the population, and traditionally receptive to social issues such as impaired driving. As such, they are vital to help spread the message that, regardless of age, You Drink and Drive. You Lose.

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your boredom come from not getting a sufficient supply of what you are attached to? The tragedy in all this is that the only method that has been taught for attaining happiness is a method guaranteed to produce anxiety, disappointment and sorrow. In order to be genuinely happy something unique has to be done: get deprogrammed, get rid of the attachments.

This could be a terrifying, almost painful thought. But quite likely, the process is not all that painful. It is a matter of taking stock of attachments.

It is not a matter of willpower or renunciation but sight. Open your eyes and see that you do not need the object of your attachment for happiness at all. Realize that you were programmed, brainwashed into thinking that you could not be happy without this particular person or thing. We have

all overcome losses in our lives. But time passed and we learned to get along without them. There is a glimpse into the falseness of the thought that you cannot live without something or someone. It is a matter of the mind playing with you. An attachment is not a fact. It is a belief acquired through programming. Pass in review all your attachments and honestly say, "I am not really attached to this at all. I have merely cheated myself into the belief that without this attachment I will not be happy."

You would love things and persons and would love them thoroughly but you would love them on a nonattachment basis. Free of the encumbrance of blind attachment you can pursue a relationship not based on what an object is to you but rather on who you are and what the object is in itself.



**By Jim Gaines**  
MCCS Publicity

#### Shop the Base Exchange

Do your holiday shopping at the Base Exchange. Come in and browse our super gift ideas and Christmas card selection.

Right now - get 20 percent off all Hallmark tree ornaments, gift wrap and other items.

25 percent off all mens, womens and childrens apparel. (Sale excludes military clothing).

Before you shop anywhere else, check out your MCX first.

The Base Exchange/7-Day Store is open Monday through Saturday 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call 256-8974 for details.

#### Lunch menu for this week

This week's lunch menu at the Family Restaurant and Cactus Cafe offers a savory variety:

**Today** - Beef stew and dumplings, egg noodles, vegetable, roll/butter.

**Friday Dec. 3** - Hoki fish, rice, vegetable, roll/butter.

**Monday, Dec. 6** - Oriental pork,

vegetable, roll/butter.

**Tuesday, Dec. 7** - Sloppy Joes, country potatoes, vegetable, roll/butter.

**Wednesday, Dec. 8** - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, vegetable, roll/butter.

**Thursday, Dec. 9** - Chicken Parmesan, noodles, vegetable, roll/butter.

All above meals served with coffee, tea or soft drink. Lunch is served Monday through Friday at the Family Restaurant from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Lunch is served Monday through Friday at the Cactus Cafe from 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Price is \$3 military, \$4.50 civilian.

The Family Restaurant also offers an a la carte as well as a sub sandwich menu for lunch. The Cactus Cafe offers a limited a la carte and sub sandwich menu for lunch.

For more info on the posted lunch menus for a la carte and sub sandwich menus at the Family Restaurant or the Cactus Cafe call 577-6428.

#### Family Night Dinner Menu

**Tonight** - Fried chicken, mashed

potatoes, vegetable and dessert.

**Thursday, Dec. 9** - Pasta Night, spaghetti, lasagna, salad bar and dessert.

Family Night dinners are served Thursday evenings from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Prices: (All you can eat) \$4.50 adults, \$2.50 children (5 to 11 years), children 4 years and younger are free. Price is the same for military and civilian personnel.

#### Giant New Years Eve party

Come join MCCS at our giant Millennium Bash, New Year's Eve 1999.

This will be an all-day event starting at 9 a.m. with games, prizes and awards, featuring bowling, golf putting, basketball, racquetball, horseshoes, wall climbing and much more.

Later, enjoy a delicious dinner, a great comedy show (see inset with photos) and then the big Millennium Bash New Year's Eve party at the Oasis Club. Even a Blue Light service after the festivities.

The dinner, comedy show and the New Year's Eve party will be held at the Oasis Club and is open to all ranks, and MCLB civilian employees and their guests.

Best of all - IT'S FREE! (Alcohol not included).

For all parents registered with Child Care Services - we have a special surprise - free child care. You must sign up for this special by December 22nd. Call Child Care Services at 577-6287 for details.

Come join the party - everyone is



Photo courtesy of Michael Burton



Photo courtesy of DBJ Productions

Two popular and top flight Hollywood comedians will be appearing at the MCCS Millennium Bash, New Year's Eve at the Oasis Club. You may have seen Michael Burton on NBC's Comedy Showcase with Louie Anderson, and NBC's Friday Night. Michael Burton is also featured in the most recent American Express commercial with Jerry Seinfeld, and has also appeared in 22 countries performing for the USO. His quick wit, and charm make him a must see.

Don Barnhart, Jr.'s TV credits include; Evening At The Improv, MTV, Comedy Express and Starsearch. Live on-stage performances in Las Vegas, Reno, Hollywood, Miami, and St. Louis, also 18 countries with the USO Comedy Break world tour. Don Barnhart, Jr.'s upbeat, fast paced improvisational style delights and amuses all audiences.

Don't miss this great comedy special at the MCCS Millennium Bash, New Year's Eve ... and it's all free! Make your plans now.

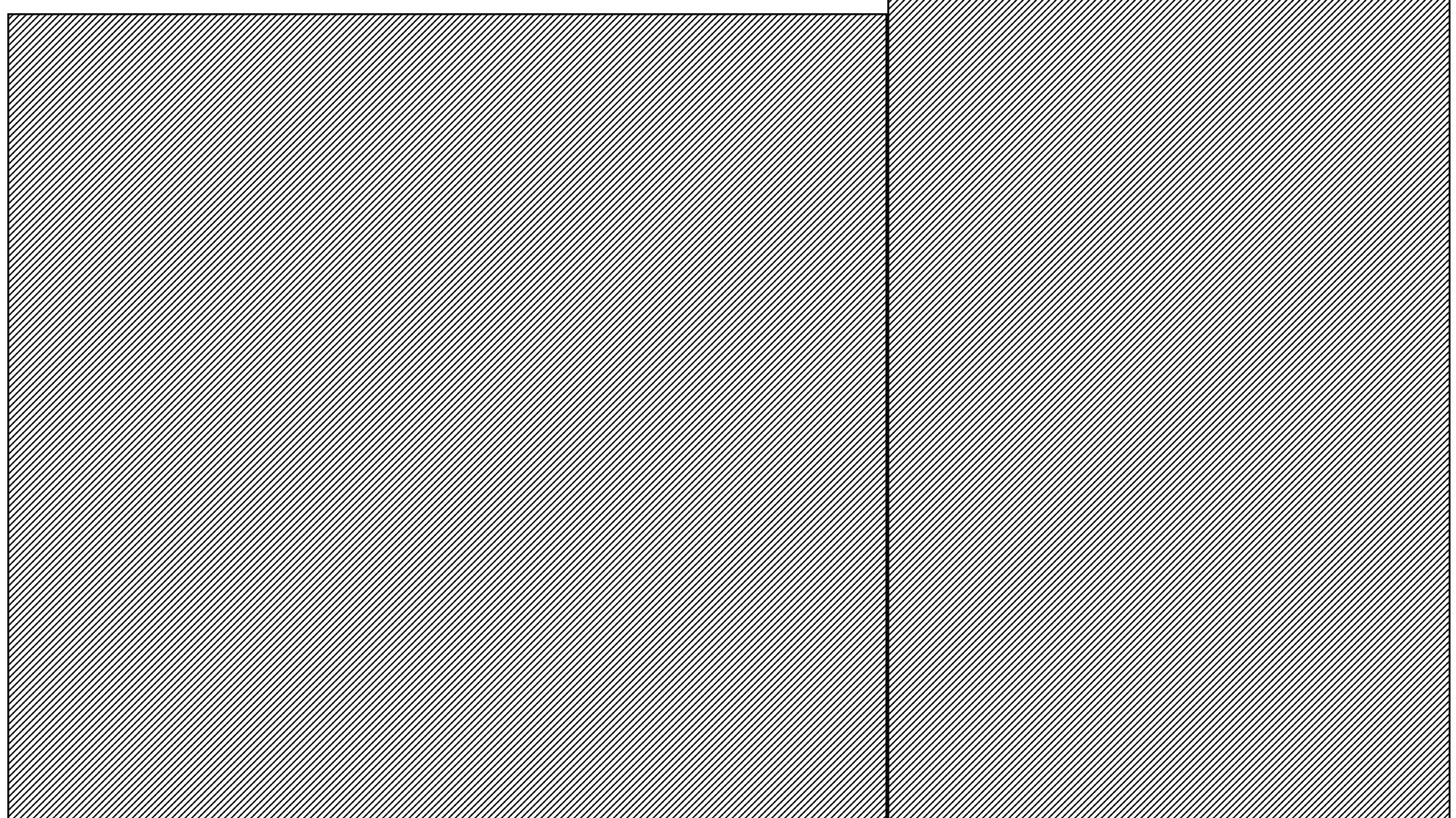
invited, all ranks, MCLB civilian employees, singles, couples, families and guests of any of the above.

Don't forget - this event is open to everyone.

If your party will consists of 4 or

more, reservations are strongly suggested for the dinner portion of this event.

For more details call 577-6543 and plan to attend this year-end giant Millennium Bash.



# Privatization is one of many IR initiatives

**By Linda M. Lingren**  
Quality Management Office

The Marine Corps faces two increasingly difficult challenges as it forges into the future.

One being the aging equipment and facilities on the bases and secondly the reduced resources dedicated to defense.

The focus on core competencies is a very strong message being relayed to the Marine Corps and the concentration has been on the Installations component of the Marine Corps Business Enterprise. Installation Reform is focused on improving the delivery of goods and services to the operating forces while reducing costs and overhead.

The Marine Corps is expected to realize savings of \$435 million between fiscal year 2001 and 2005, with an average of \$110 million savings per year thereafter. Cost reductions will be made with the assistance of five separate but mutually supporting initiatives: Privatization, Competitive Outsourcing (A-76), Regionalization, Business Process Reengineering (BPR), & Activity Based Costing/Management (ABC/M).

One of the ongoing initiatives which is part of our Installation Reform at MCLB Barstow is the Privatization of Utilities. Privatization is defined as the transfer of government property as well as the requirement to provide service to a military base. In privatization, a winning private party will both own and operate the entity. Currently, privatization within the Marine Corps has only involved utilities, family housing and bachelor quarters. The focus has been on areas providing standard commercial products and services readily available to the public, where the new owner is responsible for completing all system upgrades. The greatest value is that it will provide a private industry approach to the business. Competition within the private sector will drive process improvement resulting in improved services at potentially lower costs. Utility privatization is currently underway at MCLB Barstow and will be complete by 2002.

The Department of Defense under Defense Reform Initiative Directive (DRID) 49 federally mandated the utility privatization process, not the outcome. DRID 49 mandates that the DoD cannot own, manage or operate utility operations in the United States or abroad. DRID 49 requires privatization of all utility facilities except where it has been deemed uneconomical and where unique security reasons require continued ownership by the DoD. An economic decision on whether privatization will be pursued at MCLB Barstow will be determined by early 2001. If utility privatization is deemed economical,

the transfer of ownership is to be fully completed by mid 2002.

One of DoD's primary objectives is to focus on its core mission, the deterrence of threats to U.S. national security, and relinquish activities not critical to this objective. The utility infrastructure falls outside of both the DoD and the MCLB Barstow core missions, thus resulting in the drive to privatize these assets. Privatization focuses on obtaining a more dependable utility, where system upgrades are now the

responsibility of the new owner. The key to the transfer in ownership is the introduction of the profit motive when running the utilities. Private parties have a greater incentive to continue the safe, efficient and reliable operations of the facilities as well as look for opportunities to garner additional savings.

In addition to Privatization, MCLB has initiated a separate program called the Energy Savings Performance Contract (ESPC) in order to implement energy savings measures within the utility area. ESPC is a contracting method authorized by the Energy National Conservation Policy Act and then amended by the Energy Policy Act of 1992. Executive Order 12902 stipulates a 30 percent reduction in energy consumption by 2005. Though it is not an installation reform initiative, it is a program occurring within the utility area.



If you have questions or suggestions pertaining to Installation Reform then call the IR info line at 577-6288, or e-mail your concerns to [SMBBarstowQMO@barstow.usmc.mil](mailto:SMBBarstowQMO@barstow.usmc.mil).

# PERSONAL SERVICES BULLETIN

Marine Corps Community Services – Personal Services Division

## *CRMC extends hours*

By Chuck Ashbrook

Career Resource Management Center



In the past, the Career Resource Management Center (CRMC) extended its hours until 8 p.m. on Thursdays to give our Marines the opportunity to use our numerous programs and services for Career Development, Transition Assistance, and Local Employment Assistance after regular office hours. However, a recent briefing to key base personnel indicated that Marine Corps obligations prevent our Marines housed in the barracks from taking advantage of these hours. In addition, many family members have stated that the main reasons for not using our services during routine business hours are the inability to arrange for childcare and transportation.

The CRMC Staff wishes to meet the needs of our active duty military personnel and their family members, as well as our civilian Marines. In order to provide better service to our customers, we have again expanded the CRMC hours. Beginning Nov. 29, the CRMC will be open from 7 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 7 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Fridays.

Our services and programs include the Transition Assistance Program (TAP) for Marines and their family members who are leaving the Marine Corps and entering the civilian work force. These services were developed to ensure our Marines have a smooth transition from the military to the civilian job market.

For Marine spouses caught in the cycle of base transfers, we attempt to provide Local Employment Assistance by uncovering local job markets that match their qualifications and salary history. In many instances family members have few or no job skills. To help them, we offer referrals to local employers who value the special qualities of active duty military spouses more than job skills training.

We also offer comprehensive and interactive career development assessments for family members and active duty military who have not chosen a career path. These assessments steer individuals through a "Self Portrait" which identifies their thinking skills, personal traits, workplace competencies, communication proficiency, and individual strengths, values and interests. There is a Certified Career Development Facilitator on staff to help individuals plan the skill development path needed for a career that will fit their lifestyle. And for the children of our Marines, we have resources to help them focus on college and career choices.

To assist our customers in every facet of their career development, transition or job search, the CRMC computer lab offers four computers with internet access, resume writing programs, and the current federal applications templates, including the Resumix system. We also have the EZDot, or computerized version of the Dictionary of Occupational Titles, which indexes and displays job descriptions for over 60,000 job titles.

To fully appreciate the services and programs available at the CRMC, visit our office in Bldg. 129, or call 577-6533 and ask for the Career Resource Management Center.

## Christmas Food basket program begins today

By Stephanie Wilson

Personal Services Division

The MCCS Personal Services Division is sponsoring its annual Christmas Food Basket program. The food baskets are given to military members and their families who would not otherwise be able to enjoy a special Christmas dinner. Last year, 18 families benefited from the generosity of our MCLB community.

We welcome canned or boxed food items and whole hams and turkeys. You may also donate a complete dinner. Non-perishable items may be dropped off at any of the collection boxes listed below. Hams or turkeys need to be delivered to Personal Services in Bldg. 129.

Suggestions for donations include ham, turkey, stuffing, rolls, canned vegetables, corn starch or gravy (mix or bottled), cranberry sauce, dessert items (pie filling, pie crust mix, cake mixes), disposable roasting pans/roasting bags.

Other items to consider are baby food, coffee, juice and hot chocolate. The Christmas Food Basket collection runs today through Dec. 21. The food will then be organized and distributed to basket recipients.

Collection boxes are located at Base Headquarters (Bldg. 15), Headquarters Battalion (Bldg. 302), the Gym (Bldg. 44), Maintenance Center Barstow (Bldg. 573), and Personal Services (Bldg. 129). For more information about the Christmas Food Basket program contact GySgt Claudio or Stephanie Wilson at 577-6533.

## Keep holiday spending in check

By GySgt. Michael Claudio

MCCS Financial Counselor

With Christmas right around the corner, here are some helpful spending tips:

- Develop a budget. Figure out the maximum amount you can afford to spend on cards, gifts, and decorations. Remember to include postage and wrapping!
- Stick to your budget. Resist the urge to buy "just one more thing" or something that isn't on your list. There's no use making a budget if you're not going to stick to it.
- Evaluate your gift list. Make a list of whom you are buying gifts for. Scrutinize the list, then prioritize it. If they are not family or very close friends, send them Christmas cards instead.
- Shop smart and look for bargains. Avoid the "Gotta have it!" syndrome. It doesn't matter what you send, as long as it's from the heart and fits in your budget.
- Don't use credit cards! The recipient may greatly appreciate the gift, but you will be the one paying interest.
- Shop early. Yes, there may be a better deal if you wait, but you will end up spending more time waiting in lines at the Post Office and check register, not to mention the parking lots. Most importantly, if you wait until the last minute, you will have less time to enjoy the Christmas season.

For more help with your budget or any other area of financial management, call GySgt Claudio at 577-6533.

### Anger Management Workshop

With the added pressure of the approaching holidays, are you easily irritated, angered or negatively critical with your co-workers, spouses or children?

MCCS is sponsoring an Anger Management Workshop Dec. 7 from 1-3:30 p.m. at Bldg. 129. The workshop helps participants evaluate, understand and control anger.

Call Personal Services to reserve your seat today.

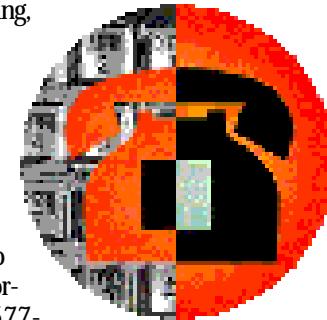
## 24-hour info line

By Stephanie Wilson

Personal Services Division

The Personal Services Division of MCCS recently updated its 24-hour telephone information line.

The new system provides more helpful information on hundreds of topics, such as alcohol and drugs, mental health and well being, parenting, family planning, rape and sexual abuse, nutrition, personal growth, safety, and health care for women.



You must have a touch-tone phone to use the 24-hour information line. Call 577-6241 or 577-6286, then listen for the voice prompts to guide you through the system.

A brochure available from Personal Services offers a comprehensive list of categories and topics with their three-digit access code. To simplify and expedite your calls, Personal Services suggests that you read the brochure before calling the information line number.

This service was created by the Personal Services Division in response to the communities need for information. It is an excellent starting point for anyone who wants to know more about issues ranging from general health to personal in nature. This service is free and confidential. Parental discretion is advised for some topics.

Following is a list of information categories and their access codes:

Marine Corps Community Services, Personal Services Division: 100-105

Alcohol: 113-124

Tobacco: 125-131

Marijuana: 135-143

Other Drugs: 145-157

Reasons to Say No: 160-164

Mental Health and Well Being: 165-193, 480-484

Messages for Older People: 195-202

Parenting (General): 205-221

Parenting (Child Development): 225-239

Parenting (Child Behavior): 240-255

Parenting (School Issues): 260-269

Family Planning: 270-293

Sexual Health Care for Men and Women: 295-316

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Rape-Sexual Abuse-Harassment: 340-348

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HIV-AIDS: 365-374

Sexually Transmitted Infections: 380-392

Nutrition-Diet-Weight Control: 400-422

Health and Fitness: 425-431

Personal Growth: 435-451

Safety: 455-460

Partnership for a drug free America: 485-498

Figuring Out if You Have a Problem: 465-476

If you would like a brochure or have any questions or comments about the 24-hour information service, please contact Personal Services at 577-6533, DSN 282-6533.



Photo by Cpl. Mike McQuillan

This turret for the M1A1 Main Battle Tank is still in the early repair stages. The orange flag draped over the gun barrel indicates the barrel is unserviceable and must be replaced.

## Turret shop performs brain surgery on tactical vehicles

**By Cpl. Mike McQuillan**

BARSTOW LOG staff

A body can't operate without a head, and certain tactical vehicles can't operate without turrets.

At Cost Work Center 729, the turret and artillery shop at Maintenance Center, Barstow, workers make sure that the Marine Corps has its head in the game.

"Turrets come through here while the rest of the vehicles are done at their own sections," said Doug Van Dyke, artillery repair supervisor at CWC 729. "They're done separately from the hulls because you have to know the electrical side, not just the mechanical."

CWC 729 repairs turrets for Light Armored Vehicles and M1A1 Main Battle Tanks. They also restore artillery, such as the M198 Howitzer, and all small arms.

When a vehicle arrives at the Maintenance Center, the CWC assigned to the vehicle conducts an inventory before sending it to the turret shop. CWC 729 "pops the top" and sends the hull back to its repair site.

Next comes the dismantling phase. "Before we can even touch it, optics has to look at it first," said Jeff Donovan, artillery repairman.

The optics lab, responsible for the gunners' sights and scopes, inspects the vehicle to ensure there is no radiation leakage.

Next, 729 get their hands on it and perform a Limited Technical Inspection. An LTI is the standard practice for assessing the amount of work needed.

The turret is, in a sense, the brains behind the brawn of a tactical vehicle.

"It wouldn't be anything more than a truck without the turret," said Van Dyke.

The turret houses the wiring harness, the hydraulic piping, the sights and scopes and most importantly, the weapon.

The M1A1 turret holds a 120mm M256 smoothbore main gun, which CWC 729 assembles. The gun is relatively simple compared to guns on the LAV. The Maintenance Center repairs two types of LAV weapon systems – the LAV-25 and the Anti-tank (AT) weapon.

"I've seen about 10 LAV 25s for every one AT," said Robert Wallace, artillery repairman.

The 25 had a chain gun, powered by a motorcycle chain, that fires two types of ammunition.

"The chain propels the feeder with two belts," explained Van Dyke. "One belt holds armor-piercing rounds, and the other holds high explosive rounds."

The AT is stowed while not in use and erected when ready for firing. "We have to be able to

stow or erect the gun in five seconds before we can okay it," said Wallace.

The hydraulic system maintains accuracy while the vehicle is in motion.

"The power distribution unit stabilizes the turret," said Van Dyke. "Guns may fire while attacking or retreating. The vehicle can make a complete 360 and the weapon will stay right on target."

"For the M1, we have a two-degree leeway that the gun can move," said Donovan. "It has to be very accurate or we won't send it out."

Optics are key for a gunner and commander, who must rely on the Maintenance Center to equip vehicles with daytime and night sights.

"The Gunner's Primary Sight is a thermal unit," said Wayne Cunningham, optics techni-



Photo by Cpl. Mike McQuillan

No detail is too small for artillery repair. Optics equipment, shown here in the care of Jeff Donovan, must be fine-tuned before being installed on a scope.

cian. "It can sense through walls and detect targets at great distances."

The repairmen follow the strict guidelines of the Inprocess Inspection Sheet, which outlines all requirements to be met before the turret is complete. From there, the turret is staged until the hull arrives.

Since the turret is usually restored beforehand, CWC 729 is equipped with stands that serve as dummy hulls. The turrets are mounted on the stands to test capabilities.

"We make sure it's safe and serviceable," said

Photo by Cpl. Mike McQuillan  
Robert Wallace stows and erects the Anti-Tank gun from inside the LAV turret.

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# First female completes Designated Marksman School

By Cpl. Bob Sealy

Fleet Combat Training Center, Virginia

Rays of morning sunlight glint off of the dew-soaked grass as a Marine confidently strides up to the firing line. She drops into the prone position and quickly slides the butt of her rifle into her shoulder. Pressing her cheek firmly against the smooth, black stock of the weapon, she peers intently through the sights waiting for a target to appear.

These actions are familiar to all Marines, but few can claim a page in Marine Corps history based on their shooting ability. Sgt. Kelly L. Anderson, 27, has done exactly that. She is the first, and only, female to successfully complete Designated Marksman School at Fleet Combat Training Center Dam Neck, Virginia. She used her skills to coach Marines through the elite Designated Marksman School, as well as standard Marine Corps rifle and pistol qualifications, as an instructor.

A Designated Marksman, or DM, is highly trained in marksmanship and observation. Gathering and reporting intelligence are the bread and butter of the job. As well, and under command of legitimate authority, they deliver the precision fire that hallmarks a DM. Although a DM can be called upon to fire at a target from great distances, they are not to be confused with Marine Corps snipers. Snipers are given a mission and then work much more autonomously in combat situations, according to Anderson.

"I like to be physical. This suits me better than sitting behind a desk," said Anderson. The Sioux City, Iowa native joined the Marine Corps in 1995. "After I got out (of the Navy), I really missed the military, so I thought I'd see what the Marine Corps had to offer," Anderson explained. Military police is Anderson's primary military oc-

cupational specialty. She said she longed for a more physically challenging job while working in aviation electronics in the Navy.

The DM billet is open only to Marines serving in a Fleet Antiterrorism Security Team or Marine Corps Security Force Battalion. Anderson received orders to Dam Neck rifle range when she requested to be co-located with her husband, Garland, who is stationed aboard the USS George Washington in Norfolk, Va.

Eligible Marines must first qualify as an expert with the M-16A2 service rifle to become a DM.

During DM School, Marines are taught to fire the M-14, a 7.62 mm, bolt-action rifle. A series of precision shots must be made with the M-14 to qualify. Marines fire a total of 29 rounds, scoring 24 or more as hits. From 100 meters, DM hopefuls must strike a three-inch circle, a "head shot", on the target to score a hit. From the two-hundred and five-hundred-meter lines, rounds must strike six and nine inch circles respectively to count as hits. The students are also required to take several shots from a tower and are given a "stress test," where they engage targets with a three second exposure.

Students at DM School also learn observation tactics. Describing a crisis scene down to the last detail is crucial when relaying information back to the rear, according to Anderson. The students are paired up and progress through the school as a team. "You



Official USMC photo

Sgt. Kelly L. Anderson sights in with an M-14 and scope. Although Marines must qualify as experts with the M-16A2 service rifle to be eligible for the course, they must make precision shots with the M-14 to qualify as DMs.

never go anywhere without your partner," said Anderson. She and her partner finished as the top team in her class. This is how DMs operate in real-world environments also. Partners use binoculars and other tools to help observe. "If you keep your eye in that scope for too long, pretty soon you can't hold your other eye closed anymore," explained Anderson.

She is fast approaching her end of

active service in December and does not plan to re-enlist. "I want to be a stay-at-home mom," Anderson explained. She is expecting her second

child. She has a seven-year-old daughter and is looking forward to more time with her children. "I'd like to stay in the reserves, though" she said.



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Sgt. Kelly L. Anderson is the first Marine to complete the Designated Marksman School

**TOYS** from Page 1

Maintenance Center Barstow Lobby, Bldg. 573; DDBC Office, Bldg. 236; DDBC Warehouses 5, 7 & 10; Warehouse 401; Family Restaurant, Bldg. 301; Information Systems Office, Bldg. 170; Maintenance Division, Bldgs. 196, 197 & 198; Transportation Management Division, Bldgs. 332 & 614; Fleet Support Center Barstow Admin Lobby, Warehouse 406; Fire and Emergency Services Division, Bldgs. 18 & 437; PMO/HRO & TAVSC, Bldg. 37; MCCS's Business Operations Division and Gym, Bldg. 44 and all Nebo and Yermo Annex gates.

People who would rather make a monetary donation than give a toy can make out a check or money order to Toys for Tots and mail or take it to 420 Broadway, Barstow, CA 92311. This is the address of the treasurer of Barstow Chapter 47, Marine Corps League, which is the accountability agency for the local Toys for Tots effort.

For more info or to get involved with the on base effort contact Bob Wyman at 577-6732 or GySgt. Pete Errigo at 577-6192. For community involvement contact Mal or Connie Wessel at (760) 252-3093.

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really confused expression and said he had never heard of such a thing. The colonel explained it to him, and the Marine said, 'Oh no, we'd never do that. We just tape the new guys.'

"When we asked him what taping was, the Marine explained that they have the new arrival extend his arms, run a broom or mop handle behind his back and through the sleeves of the utility coat. Next, the Marine's extended arms are securely fastened with duct tape, leaving him

in a 'crucifixion position.' Hey, nobody's hurt, so it's not hazing, right? It is hazing, and it will not be tolerated."

There is not much more Bennett can add to the topic of hazing because, according to him, the message from the Commandant is clear, and it's all found in the order. Every Marine should read it, and every leader should enforce it.

Read it, understand it. After doing so, there really should be no room for debate.

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Photo by Cpl. Mike McQuillan

A motorcycle chain propels two ammunition belts through the LAV-25 machine gun

Donovan. "As soon as we load it, we do an 1800 and a 1600. The 1800 tests the five computer boxes and the 1600 is a fire sensor test. There are three fire sensors in the turret. If something burns up, we need to know they'll work."

Management has implemented ISO 9000, a Better Business Practice implemented at the Maintenance Center, to maintain consistency.

The International Standards of Organization ensures all work is documented.

"Three or four of us sat down and put it on paper," said Donovan. "If we put a step in, we have to do it. If we didn't put it in, we don't do it."

"It helps us put out a better product," he added. "Everything that goes out will go out the same. That ends up being to our benefit."

The more efficient setup also benefits CWC 729's counterparts. "Holdup time is critical," said Van Dyke. "The turret has to be ready when the hull gets here."

The crew is two months into the FY00 master schedule and must count on precision with other shops to meet their mission.

"The sooner we get [the turret] back to them, the sooner they can get it on a road test," said Donovan. The road test is the final exam for both hull and turret. If the vehicle passes every phase, the task at hand is complete.

## *Job Watch*

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DEA-470-99	Equipment Cleaner WG-7009-04 (Term NTE 366 days)	11-08-99	12-20-99	12-06-99	MCLB Barstow
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OTR-145-99	Preservation Servicer WG-7006-07 (Temp NTE 1 yr.)	11-12-99	12-10-99	11-26-99	MCLB Barstow
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# SPORTS

## Preseason sparks early rivalries

**By Cpl. Mike McQuillan**

BARSTOW LOG staff

The dynasty is over. Basketball season opened at the base gym last night without two-time defending champion Fleet Support Center Hoyas, who disbanded after last season.

Who will prosper in this year's match-ups? The Barstow Log preseason scoop has the insight.

A heavy favorite among the six teams is the Business, headed by last year's high scorer Fred Waddell. Waddell and 'company' stem from last year's Bohica squad, who also once traveled under the assumed name of the Hardcore Vets.

The one hoopster who fell second to Waddell in every category except aches and pains last year was Bryce Catlett. Catlett leads the charge for Top Gun, a team of ill communicators from ISO/Comm. Catlett feels an air of confidence against the Business.

"We'll do just fine," said Catlett. "They're getting old."

Catlett added that during a recent regional tournament victory against MCAS Miramar, he scored 28 points to Waddell's 10.

Top Gun boasts most of last year's Phenomenon lineup plus newcomers Gilbert Rodriguez and Elder Reyes. Catlett says they should more than compensate for the departure of power forward Eric "Easy E" Tyler.

A dark horse contender this year is Rock Bottom. Player/coach Brad Price insists that there is no affiliation between 'Top' Gun and Rock 'Bottom'.

"Frankly, they just chose a cheesy eighties movie title," said Price. "We're going to lay the smackdown on them."

Rock Bottom forwards William Scruggs III and Ernie Mena return with high ambition.

The only two teams returning under the same name are Branch Clinic and the PMO Enforcers. Both had steady seasons last year.

Judging by the new, young faces that we've seen working the gate over the past few months, PMO may have more new talent than anybody. They'll need to count on fresh players to fill in for Bill "Tall Tex" Menzies, who played his last game in March.

The final team, and perhaps the most underestimated, is NTC/Army. Refugees from the Hoyas may align with Fort Irwin to put together a championship team.

"You never know," said Waddell. "They may have some ringers come out of the wood-work."

Price disagrees. "They don't stand a chance," he said. "Only half of them are Army, the other half are jabronies who had nowhere else to go."

Admission is free, so come support your team. Or hex somebody else. The latest ruling is that "Bring Back Top Zavala" signs have been officially banned from courtside. Games are played Monday and Thursday evenings at 5:30 and 6:45 p.m.



Photo by Cpl. Mike McQuillan

PMO's Steven Peltier hits a layup during team practice.

## Puck Hogs crush scoring record

**By Cpl. Matthew R. Weir**

BARSTOW LOG staff

The Puck Hogs held strong for their first shut out this season and set a new game high scoring record Nov. 22, when they defeated 699th Maintenance, 25-0.

The fate of the game was decided early in the first period when the Puck Hogs learned the 699th's weakness. Leaving the center just in front of the crease to catch rebounds allowed Hog wings to take shots from far out in the zone and allowed for many one-touch goals coming in from the wings.

The Hogs left the floor tied with the old Fort Irwin Fitness Connection record of 18-0 after the second period. The only thing left for the Hogs to do in the third was establish a record that could never be broken, according to Jay Hunsaker, Puck Hogs head coach.

Although the score tells a different story, behind the scenes both coaches were proud of their teams.

"I think my team did pretty good against the Marine team," said Scott Taylor, 699th Maintenance head coach and team captain. "We only have four players that have ever really played hockey before, and we have to split them up between the lines," he added.

Taylor said he appreciated that the Hogs continued to run up the score.

"I'd rather see them run up the score than play with no heart," he said. "When the other team isn't even trying and you're still losing, it breaks down your team morale."

Hunsaker and his Hogs had a different look at the score.

"I would rather have another team file a complaint because my team ran the score up than have them file one because my team wasn't playing at its fullest potential," he said.

Wayne Kopanski, Puck Hogs, took

away a hat trick as well as a good feeling after the game.

"It always feels good to score a hat trick," said Kopanski. "It's also cool to break a record and go down in Fort Irwin history."

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**FOR SALE:** Pro Model Nordic Track ski machine w/heart monitor, xtl cond., Paid \$600. Sell for \$250. Call 253-4242.

**FOR SALE:** 1979 Sunliner 17' boat. Moving, must sell. \$2,000 OBO. Call 252-7017. Pgr (916) 369-9540

**FOR SALE:** Weight bench and weights, \$85 OBO. Call 253-1200.

# Pearl Harbor remembered

**By Cpl. Brian Davidson**

BARSTOW LOG staff

The concept of an invasion on American soil may seem a far-fetched concept. Pearl Harbor, however, is a strong reminder of the nation's need for a constant vigil.

However, Tuesday is the 58<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the fateful event.

Hawaii was a U.S. territory on Sunday, Dec. 7, 1941. Sailors and Marines stationed at Pearl Harbor, Oahu, were taken aback by a surprise Japanese Imperial Navy assault. Conceived by Adm. Isoroku Yamamoto, an air strike force of 353 Japanese aircraft led by Cmdr. Mitsuo Fuchia struck the island without warning or an official declaration of war. Soldiers at near by Hickham Field were also under attack by Japanese fighters.

American troops were not prepared for the heavy onslaught.

At 7:49 a.m. Fuchia ordered the attack and Japanese pilots began their assault on Oahu's military bases. Minutes later he radioed a code to the entire Japanese Navy, "Tora Tora Tora," (Tiger, Tiger, Tiger) indicating success, maximum strategic surprise – Pearl Harbor caught unaware, according to a Pearl Harbor Survivors Association timeline.

A total of 2,341 servicemembers were killed. Nearly half as many were wounded. Most of the men who died were sent to a watery grave in their ships. The USS Arizona became the final resting-place for 1,104 of those who died.

Japanese bombs and torpedoes sunk 12 ships and destroyed 164 aircraft.

Arthur Wells, then a 19-year-old, Marine private first class was there.

"Sunday was the day of rest and relaxation after the usual weekly few days at sea where we practiced night and day for war," said Wells. "Some of the men were still ashore and those aboard were feeling the effects of the of a night out in Honolulu. The surprise and suddenness of the attack ended the war for many of the men before it had officially begun."

Marines at the harbor barracks roused by the sound of exploding bombs were unable to arm themselves during the first wave of the attack because their arms and ammunition were under lock and key – in accordance with peacetime regulations governing the armed forces.

"Marines don't usually take their rifles to battle stations. I instinctively thought of my best friend," said Wells. "I noticed Sgt. Bud Tinker standing near the weapons locker. I asked if I could get my rifle, but he didn't have a key."

Sailors and Marines aboard ship found themselves being rained on by bullets, bombs and torpedoes while in the midst of writing home or taking advantage of their liberty. No warning

of the deadly strike had been received.

Oddly, speculation that a blotched attempt to notify forces based in the harbor and a lack of attention to detail still abound the infamous day.

Wells was one of 1,143 personnel wounded in what has been dubbed the

"sneak attack."

At the end of the attacks, 27 Japanese aircraft and five midget submarines which tried to launch torpedoes into the inner harbor were destroyed by ground fire and U.S. pilots from various military installations on Oahu.

In the nation's capitol, Japanese diplomats were about to present their Declaration of War to Cordell Hull, U.S. Secretary of State, as he read the first reports of the raid at Pearl Harbor.

Nationwide broadcast of the attack on Pearl Harbor brought America as a whole to the precipice of war with her sons volunteering in droves.

The next day the United States and

Great Britain declared war on Japan. Germany and Italy declared war on the United States four days later, making the conflict global – the Axis Powers against the Allies. Enter World War II.

Army Lt. General Walter Short and Admiral Husband Kimmel were relieved of their duties as commanding officers for failing to adopt sufficient security measures.